UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE AT KNOXVILLE

S.B., a minor student, by and through his parents,)
M.B. and L.H., et al.,)
Plaintiffs,)
v.) No. 3:21-cv-00317-JRG-DCP
GOVERNOR BILL LEE, in his official)
capacity as GOVERNOR OF TENNESSEE, and)
KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION,)
)
Defendants.)

MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO WITHDRAW

Assistant Attorney General Colleen Mallea respectfully moves this Court for permission to withdraw as counsel for Defendant Governor Bill Lee. As grounds, General Mallea will be leaving the Tennessee Attorney General's Office effective January 6, 2022, for employment in another position. Neither Plaintiffs nor Defendant Governor Lee will be prejudiced by this withdrawal as other members of the Tennessee Attorney General's Office—Acting Assistant Attorney General Reed Smith and Assistant Attorney General Martha McCampbell—presently represent Governor Lee and will continue to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on December 21, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **Motion for Permission to Withdraw** filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all parties indicated on the electronic filing receipt as follows. Parties may access this filing through the Court's electronic filing system.

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